CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (NPDES NO. CA0084697) For

UNITED AUBURN INDIAN COMMUNITY THUNDER VALLEY CASINO WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PLACER COUNTY

The United Auburn Indian Community is the owner and operator of the Thunder Valley Casino Wastewater Treatment Plant (Facility), a publicly owned treatment works (POTW) located at 1200 Athens Avenue, Lincoln, California. The Facility provides sewerage services for the Thunder Valley Casino, a gaming and entertainment facility serving a population that fluctuates with the patronage at the Facility. The Facility provides tertiary treatment for up to 0.70 million gallons per day (MGD). The Discharger is planning an upgrade and expansion of the Facility that will increase the total capacity of the Facility to 0.875 MGD. Treated wastewater from the Facility is discharged to Orchard Creek, a water of the United States and a tributary to Auburn Ravine, East Side Canal, Natomas Cross Canal, and the Sacramento River.

Discharges from the Facility are currently regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements Order R5-2010-0005, issued by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) on 28 January 2010. An Order is proposed to renew the NPDES permit. The proposed permit renewal includes new or revised effluent limitations for ammonia, and nitrate plus nitrite. In addition, the effluent limitations for aluminum, cadmium, delta-bhc, electrical conductivity, endrin aldehyde, iron, lead, manganese, and zinc have been removed, because the discharge does not demonstrate reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an instream exceedance of the applicable water quality objectives.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 4/5 June 2015 TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Room

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

United Auburn Indian Community Representatives

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **4 May 2015**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board via email to

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RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. on 4 May 2015. Written evidence or comments submitted after 5:00 p.m. on 4 May 2015 will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Chair. Any party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any Designated Party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact Xuan Luo at (916) 464-4606 or Xuan.Luo@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The final meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/ at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

Original Signed by Nichole Morgan for
ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer

3 April 2015